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Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 (page 1, lines 2 to 5 in L.D.)

Amend the bill in section 3 in paragraph D in the 3rd line (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "~~may obtain at no cost~~ is entitled to" and inserting the following: 'may obtain at ~~no cost~~'

Amend the bill by inserting after section 4 the following:

**‘Sec. 5. Policy regarding e-mail addresses and mailing addresses.** The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife shall develop a policy regarding the public notification that e-mail addresses and mailing addresses submitted to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife on its online license and registration service are public documents and how those documents may be disclosed or sold to the public. The policy must address the ability of a person to opt out of having the department retain that person's e-mail address or mailing address. The commissioner shall report on the policy to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters by January 5, 2011. The joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters may submit a bill to the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature regarding the commissioner's report.’

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

## SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report and removes the section of the bill that exempts e-mail addresses provided to the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife by its online customers from disclosure under the freedom of access laws. The amendment directs the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to develop a policy to notify its online customers that e-mail addresses and mailing addresses submitted to the department on its online license and registration service are public documents and how those documents may be disclosed or sold to the public. The policy must also provide an online customer the ability to opt out from having the department retain that person's e-mail address or mailing address. The commissioner must report on the policy to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over inland fisheries and wildlife matters by January 5, 2011, and that committee may submit a bill to the First Regular Session of the 125th Legislature regarding the commissioner's report. This amendment also removes the phrase "is entitled to" as proposed in the bill, retaining the phrase "may obtain" from current law regarding senior lifetime licenses to clarify that licenses and permits issued by the department are a privilege and not a right.

## FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)